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Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the prosecution of the captioned application, which is a continuation of international application number PCT/NO00/00245 filed July 20, 2000. This application also claims priority to application number 9917111.8 filed July 21, 1999 in Great Britain.

Additionally, this application claims the benefit of United States provisional application number 60/146,865 filed August 3, 1999.

In the Specification

Please amend page 1, line 3, by inserting the following sentence and heading:

-- This application is a continuation application of international application number PCT/NO00/00245 filed July 20, 2000, the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference.